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SENSITIVITY MONITORING OF MOLECULAR CONTAMINATION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated August 1, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 10 - 16, 22, 24, 25, and 27, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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